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Today is January 31, 2006. It is the 31st day of the year. There are 334 days left until 2007.

49th MPs advise Iraqi Police

Story and photo by Spc. James P. Hunter

MNC-I PAO

The U.S. military is on a mission to train, equip and mentor the Iraqi police forces, helping Iraq become self-sufficient.

The 49th Military Police Brigade is playing a big role in equipping, sustaining and creating police forces throughout Iraq.

The overall goal of the military is to build the Iraqi police forces so they can take complete control within a counter insurgency environment, said Chief Warrant Officer 2 Mark L. Walton, 49th MP Bde. maintenance officer.

History has shown the societies that have used their Army to provide domestic order are not successful, said Lt. Col. Peter Cross, operations officer, 49th MP Bde. If the police are trained properly and are accessible to the community, then they can assume the domestic order mission.

Since taking over operations in late September, the 49th military policemen have taken the mission and task to expand the police forces.

They have battalion and company size elements throughout Iraq, helping to train and sustain the forces.

The Iraqi police are training at the Baghdad Police Academy and Highway Patrol Academy, becoming trusted members of their community as civilian cops, said Walton.

Once the police forces arrive at the Iraqi Police Station their training continues so they can maintain and even improve their skills, said Walton.

The 49th MP Bde. travels to various Iraqi Police Stations to ensure that all Iraqi's are fully equipped with fuel, cloth



Spc. Bryan Alexander, gunner, 860th Military Police Company, Arizona National Guard, rests for a moment in a M-1114 Up-Armored Armament Carrier Monday at Al Iskandariyah. The 860th MP Co. convoyed to Al Iskandariyah with the 49th MP Brigade to conduct logistic operations for future Iraqi police forces.

ing, standardized weapons, and ammunition so they can perform their missions, he said.

"We work with them to sustain the momentum of repairing their vehicles, assist them with the challenges they have with parts, equipment and tools to enable them to operate with out our assistance," Walton said.

Since the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom, 18 police headquarters have spread throughout Iraq.

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Father and son reunite during deployment

Story and photo by Sgt. Joe M. Battle MNC-I PAO

Snow-topped mountains, with near-freezing temperatures, overlooking a vast, almost endless desert horizon is not exactly the first place most people have in mind to meet with family members they haven't seen for a few years.

For Sgt. Maj. Kenny Adams, operations sergeant major, Multinational Corps-Iraq, Camp Victory, that place was good enough.

Sgt. Maj. Adams traveled to Fort Suse, a detention facility in northern Iraq, Friday to spend a day with his son, Pfc. Andrew L. Adams, infantryman, 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry regiment, 82nd Airborne

Division, and see what he does on a day-to-day basis.

"I hadn't seen my son in almost two years and I heard he was in Iraq," said Sgt. Maj. Adams, a Tampa, Fla. native. "The last time I saw him was about four weeks before he left for basic training.

"I wanted a chance to see him before he left the country," he said.

"I also wanted to meet his unit and see what he does everyday," he added.

The trip started with Sgt. Maj. Adams making a few phone calls to locate his son's unit.

"After I located his unit, I contacted our air support guys here on Camp Victory and they helped me out with trying to coordinate flights," he said. "I really didn't think the resources were available to be able to visit him," Sgt. Maj. Adams said. "I was pretty excited once I found out that the trip was possible."

After arriving at Fort Suse, Sgt. Maj. Adams was greeted by his son with a hug and a short tour of the facility.

"I really never imagined I would see him here in Iraq," said Pfc. Adams, a 21-year-old Columbus, Ga. native. "Its weird, I mean to see him in this type of environment is really strange."

After a brief tour of the complex, Sgt. Maj. Adams was then briefed on his son's duties as an infantryman working at the detention facility.

Badge Wear and Display

Badges provide a quick, visual identification of access level; the badge helps all know who can be where. Badges are simple and effective, but they work only when the bearer understands the distinction between a security badge and an identification card. You are being issued an MNC-I Security Badge. Take a minute to acquaint yourself with the left and right limits of the badge.

Display the badge only in secure areas. Remove the badge when you leave the secure area. This helps keep the badge design secure and it will help prevent the compromise of the badge due to loss or an unforeseen photo.

We will issue a badge clip with each badge. The clip will keep the badge secure and displayed as you go about the palace, but they are not as secure as a lanyard. Recommend you use a lanyard.

If the badge becomes damaged or if your appearance no longer matches the photo come back to Security and we will replace it.

If you lose a badge report the loss to Security. We will report the loss to the guards and issue you a visitor badge while we wait three days for you to conduct a search.

Display the badge as you approach the access point. The guard will validate access to the Palace based on the access badge. Always display it in secure areas.

When you are leaving the secure areas - remove or stow the badge. The security badge should only be seen in the secure areas. We all know this, but we still see badges in the Dining Facility, the PX, the Shoppette, and the Gym. When you see folks wearing the badge outside the secure area, correct them.

Sooner or later you will be taking pictures and sending them home. Just make sure when you do take that snapshot it is not in a restricted area. Consider where the lens is pointed, look at the background and make sure you are allowed to have a camera in the area. Also make sure that you remove your security badge.

Service members and civilians sometimes put the ID card and the security badge in the same protector in a side-by-side mixed marriage display. The marriage is mixed because of the different purposes of the badges. Not saying you cannot do this; just remember that when you show the ID to get into the Dining Facility put the badge holder back inside your shirt to conceal the security badge.

Badges are easy to make with off-the-shelf software and printers. We need to take precautions to make sure that our badge design and format is not widely known. Nothing is foolproof, but you do not have to be foolish; we must use the badge as intended. We all have a responsibility to protect classified information and to guard access; a simple start is taking care of your security badge.



DRIVE SAFELY !!

This driver was wearing his seat belt, driving within the speed limit and he was



The driver of this vehicle had his life tragically altered by a reckless driver.

Don't be the OTHER driver!!

Chaplain's Corner

Esther 5: 1 On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the palace, in front of the king's hall. The king was sitting on his royal throne in the hall, facing the entrance. (NIV)

How common and everyday this seems. A lady named Esther, obviously of royalty, gets up, dons her robes, and goes and stands in front of the King's hall. The commonality of the moment, the getting up, the getting dressed, and being about her business – seems, so ordinary, so free of danger,

And yet for Esther, it was anything but common, anything but everyday, anything but free from danger, and certainly anything but inauspicious. She got up that morning to literally lay her life on the line for her people. There was a plot to slaughter all her people. They were no more than a pawn in a powerbroker's scheme to be wiped from the face of the earth.

We see nothing of her preparation to be ready for her courageous act.

We see nothing of her preparation to be ready for her courageous act. We do not see her fasting – going without food or water to purify herself. We do not see her fear, or hear her prayers. We do not see the incredible courage to act in concert with God. We simply see the common and everyday event of a woman doing what seems to be second nature to her.

I visited with the Commander of the 126 TH Military History Detachment, today. He told me, "Chaplain, you just don't hear about the truly heroic things our troops do out there everyday! The getting up, and the going out to repeatedly face the dangers they face!"

There are the EOD folks who go, knowing the dangers, and yet willing to face them, to save those civilian and Multinational Force personnel around them. There are the chopper and plane pilots who daily do their missions, knowing a SAM, or rifle fire can bring them down. There are the convoy folks, driving the hard unforgiving miles to bring supplies to you and me. And don't forget the men and women who right now are on patrol – doing their best to protect, safeguard and maintain order.

If we were to take a snapshot of you, what would we see? Maybe at

If we were to take a snapshot of you, what would we see? Maybe at 1745 hours, washing your hands in the DFAC, for Chow? Maybe you are scraping the mud off your boots, and maybe off your clothes? Perhaps you are walking into another 12-hour shift, or checking over your gear in preparation to go somewhere outside the wire – whatever.

Whatever it may be, it appears common and everyday, until you dig. It appears ordinary until you see the preparation, the faith, and the trust in God.



If you don't the bomber may be released.



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REUNION-

"I am a member of the Immediate Response Force here," said Pfc. Adams. "As a member of the IRF, we react to any disturbance, such as a fight, that the regular guards need assistance with.

"So basically we are on stand-by until we get a call," he added. "Once the call comes in, we have two minutes to be fully ready to respond."

After the briefing, Pfc. Adams presented a Fort Suse coin to his father.

Sgt. Maj. Adams said he was a little jealous of his son, but very proud.

"When I joined the Army, I was assigned to the same unit my son is in now," he said.

"I have been in the Army as an infantryman for 28 years and just recently, I finally got my combat patch," said Sgt. Maj. Adams. "My son has been in the Army for a little over a year, has his combat patch, combat infantryman's badge and is now presenting me with a coin."

"It is kind of ironic," he added.

Pfc. Adams said his next meeting with his father is hopefully in a less hostile environment.

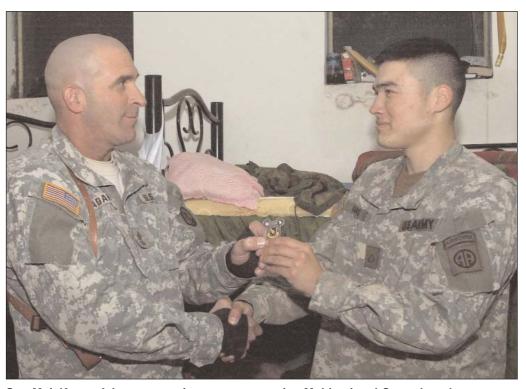
"I plan on meeting again with my dad during his rest and recuperation leave back in the states," said Pfc. Adams. "We are going to attend my sister's high school graduation together."

Pfc. Adams is scheduled to depart Fort Suse



U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Sean C. Finch

Civilian contractor Ami "Golden Glove"
Angell, human resources officer here,
lands a barrage of punches in boxing
class. The classes are held every Monday,
Wednesday and Saturday at the MWR
Health and Fitness Center at 8 p.m.



Sgt. Maj. Kenny Adams, operations sergeant major, Multinational Corps-Iraq, here, receives a Fort Suse coin from his son, Pfc. Andrew Adams, infantryman, 1st Battalion 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Suse, during his visit to the detainee facility Friday. Sgt. Maj. Adams traveled to Fort Suse to visit with his son, and see what his son does on a day-to-day basis.

in February.

"I am really glad I made the trip," said Sgt. Maj. Adams. "Not only did I get to see my son, but it was great to meet his squad, platoon first sergeant and get a tour of where he

was living."

"Although I wasn't looking forward to all the flying, visiting with my son was cool," he added.

"Really cool!"

POLICE-

Currently, Iraq has policemen patrolling the streets, maintaining traffic, patrolling the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, and they have a unit focused on major crimes.

"Anyone who doubts (Iraq's) ability to be a police force, I would point to the Iraq National elections and say you're wrong," Cross said.

The Iraqi's developed a plan and successfully fulfilled their mission, providing and performing security measures during the Iraqi National Elections, he said.

"Victory comes in small increments. To keep the plan moving forward we must stay focused and never give up," Cross said. "It's easy to get skeptical and negative when there are setbacks, but I believe in this mission."

The 49th MP Bde. will continue to provide the Iraqi policeman with the necessary training

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Want to improve your GT score ASAP?

Where: Camp Victory Building 123 (Next to the MWR #124) When: Monday thru Friday

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POC: tracy.lippincott@iraq.cent-com.mil 822-4640

Operating Hours

Coalition Cafe

Breakfast 5:30 - 8:30 a.m. Lunch 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner 5:30 - 8 p.m.

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Sports Oasis

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Shopette

Open 24 Hours

Camp Liberty Post Exchange

Everyday 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Fitness Center

Open 24 Hours

Chapel (Bldg. 31)

Sunday:

Protestant Service 7 and 8:45 a.m. Catholic Mass 10:30 a m

Catholic Mass 10:30 a.m

Gospel Service Noon

Mormon (LDS) 2 p.m.

Episcopal 4 p.m.

Full Life Service 6 p.m.

Saturday:

7th Day Adventist 11 a.m.

Catholic Mass 8 p.m.

Mini-Chapel (Bldg. 2) Friday:

Friday.

Jewish Service 6:30 p.m. Eastern Orthodox services:

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Saturday:

Vespers 5 p.m.

Confession 5:30 p.m.

Bible Study 7 p.m.

Sunday:

Divine Liturgy 9 a.m.

Post Office

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.

Golby Troop Medical Clinic

Sick Call Hours:

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - noon

Saturday & Sunday 9 a.m. - noon

Dental Sick Call:

Monday - Friday 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Saturday 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Mental Health Clinic:

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. - noon

Post Deployment Health Briefings:

Monday - Friday 1 p.m.

Pharmacv:

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - noon Saturday & Sunday 9 a.m. - noon

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Voices of Victory:

Who is going to win Superbowl XL?



"Steelers are going down, the Seahawks have this one in the bag."

Pfc. Chris J. Landry 1/320th Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery



"Steelers got this one before it ever starts."

Sgt. Noeun Khiev, 1/320th Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery



"Seattle's defense will be too much for Pittsburgh's passing game. Pittsburg needs an awesome running game to win this one."

Sgt. Kristopher Joseph, MNC-I Public Affairs Operation NCOIC

Your unauthorized radio transmits ...





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